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**VIA ECF**

Honorable Steven M. Gold  
United States Magistrate Judge  
United States District Court  
for the Eastern District of New York  
225 Cadman Plaza East  
Brooklyn, New York 11201

Re: Demitress Bethea, et. al. v. City of New York, et al.  
16-CV-2522 (KAM) (SMG)

Your Honor:

I am the Assistant Corporation Counsel in the Special Federal Litigation Division of the New York City Law Department, assigned to represent defendants in the above-referenced matter. The Parties jointly write to state they may have reached a settlement in principle, and will be able to finalize whether that is the case very shortly. The Parties thus jointly request that the Court allow the parties until December 1, 2017, to file a letter definitively informing the Court as to whether settlement was reached, and ask that scheduling deadlines be stayed until that date as well. The parties will file the letter sooner than December 1 in the event the parties finalize the settlement in principle details prior to that date.

Thank you for your consideration herein.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul H. Johnson", is written over a horizontal line.

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cc: Ryan Lozar, Esq. (via ECF)  
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